GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3911
ANSWERED ON:08.08.2002
BARAUNI REFINERY
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the production capacity of Barauni refinery and since when this refinery has not been able to fully utilize its production capacity;

(b) the loss suffered by this refinery due to less utilization of its production capacity during the last three years alongwith the steps taken to curtail this loss;

(c) the date on which the extention projects of the above refinery was to be completed and the present position thereof together with effects of the time-over-run on the project;

(d) the agencies to whom various jobs in regard to extention project of the refinery were assigned and the agencies or parties out of them which have shelved the work and withdrew themselves;

(e) whether the Government are taking any action against the persons responsible for the irregularities committed in the extension project; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MI OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) The refining capacity of Barauni refinery was enhanced from 3.3 million metric tonnes per annum (MMTPA) to4.2 MMTPA from 1-1-2001. The capacity utilization of the refinery from 1981-82 to 2001-02 is given at the Annexure.

(b) Barauni refinery has suffered loss during 2000-01 and 2001-02 primarily on account of higher input cost i.e. cost of crude oil.

To reduce losses, actions have been taken by Barauni refinery to maximise value added products namely High Speed Diesel, Liquified Petroleum Gas, reduction in fuel and loss etc.

(c) The capacity expansion project of Barauni refinery from 4.2 MMTPA to 6 MMTPA was to be mechanically completed by February, 2002. All the contracts except one package being executed by Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels (BHPV) were mechanically completed on schedule. The project is expected to be fully mechanically completed by September, 2002.

(d) The project is being executed through 4 Lumpsum Turn Key contracts, which are as under:-

	Job Scope	Contractor
1	Fluidited Catalytic Cracking Unit, Gasoline & Liquified Petroleum Gas Treating	M/s. Samsung Engineering Company Limited, Korea
2.	Diesel Hydro Desulphurisation Treating Unit	M/s. Samsung Engineering Company Limited, Korea
3.	Sulphur Recovery Unit, Amine Regeneration Unit, Sour Water Stripper Unit	M/s.Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels

4. Hydrogen Generation Unit, Offsites and Utilities — M/s. Larsen and Toubro

No agency or party out of them have shelved the work and withdrawn from the project.

(e)&(f) : No irregularity has been found to have been committed by any officer of Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. in the expansion project. Hence the question of taking action does not arise.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3911 FOR 8.8 REGARDING BARAUNI REFINERY

Year	Installed Capacity,MMTPA	Crude processing,MMTPA	% capacity utilisation
1981-82	3.300	3.030	91.8
1982-83	3.300	3.071	93.1
1983-84	3.300	2.907	88.1
1984-85	3.300	2.896	87.8
1985-86	3.300	2.765	83.8
1986-87	3.300	2.860	86.7
1987-88	3.300	2.638	79.9
1988-89	3.300	2.815	85.3
1989-90	3.300	2.964	89.8
1990-91	3.300	2.416	73.2
1991-92	3.300	2.262	68.5
1992-93	3.300	2.287	69.3
1993-94	3.300	2.222	67.3
1994-95	3.300	2.220	67.3
1995-96	3.300	2.322	70.4
1996-97	3.300	1.895	57.4
1997-98	3.300	2.181	66.1
1998-99	3.300	2.204	66.8
1999-00	3.300	3.411	103.4
2000-01	3.520	3.122	88.7
2001-02	4.200	2.876	68.5